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SUBJ: REACTION TO RECOVERY OF "MAYAGUEZ"

1. SALVADORAN PRESS TREATMENT OF THE SEIZURE AND SUCCESSFUL
RECOVERY OF THE "MAYAGUEZ" THUS FAR HAS BEEN CONFINED TO
PROMINENT COVERAGE OF STRAIGHT WIRE SERVICE COPY.

2. THE AMBASSADOR, ATTENDING A DIPLOMATIC CORPS FUNCTION EVENING OF
APRIL 15, WAS APPROACHED BYFIVE OR SIX LATAM AMBASSADORS AND
SALVADORAN CHIEF OF PROTOCOL WHO ALL CONGRATULED HIM ON PRESIDENT
FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER'S HANDLING OF RECOVERY OF VESSEL
AND CREW. THEY CHARACTERIZED ACTIONS AS "FIRM, POSITIVE AND
TIMELY" AND INDICATED SUCH ACTS WERE APPROPRIATE IN LIGHT OF FACTS
OF SEIZURE AND EXHAUSTION OF DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS. THE CONSENSUS WAS
THE USG HAD GAINED BACK MUCH OF THE PRESTIGE LOST AS A RESULT OF
ITS WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA.

3. AT A LATER DINNER, SEVERAL PROMINENT SALVADORAN BUSINESSMEN AND
SEVERAL EUROPEAN AMBASSUDORS COMPLIMENTED THE AMBASSADORS ALONG THE
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SAME LINES. THE GENERAL REACTIONS AMONG THE AMBASSADOR'S AND

OTHER EMBOFFS' CONTACTS HAVE BEEN MOST POSITIVE.
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